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TO AMEMBASSY AMMAN NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY JIDDA NIACT IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (HENRY A. KISSINGER)

SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT - CHANGE IN SCHEDULE FOR AMMAN
AND RIYADH

REF: JIDDA 905; STATE 33352

1. FOR AMMAN: PLEASE INFORM PRIME MINISTER RIFAI THAT,
AS HE ANTICIPATED, SOME ADJUSTMENT OF SECRETARY'S
ITINERARY IS NECESSARY, SINCE PROPOSED TIME FOR VISIT TO
RIYADH CONFLICTS WITH OTHER COMMITMENTS OF KING FAISAL.
IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, IF CONVENIENT TO HIS MAJESTY,
WE WOULD PROPOSE TO GO TO RIYADH FROM DAMASCUS MARCH 2
FOR MIDDAY VISIT AND PROCEED TO AMMAN FROM RIYADH
EVENING OF MARCH 2 FOR OVERNIGHT STAY, DEPARTING
NEXT MORNING FOR WASHINGTON. THIS WOULD GIVE SECRETARY
MORE TIME IN AMMAN, WHICH HE WOULD WELCOME.

2. FOR JIDDA: PLEASE INFORM SAG THAT, SUBJECT TO
CONFIRMATION FROM AMMAN THAT IT IS CONVENIENT TO KING
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HUSSEIN, SECRETARY IS PREPARED TO MAKE ABOVE ADJUSTMENT

IN SCHEDULE TO ACCOMMODATE HIS MAJESTY.

3. ASSUMING CONCURRENCE FROM AMMAN AND JIDDA, SCHEDULE
FOR SECRETARY'S VISIT CONTAINED STATE REFTEL WILL BE
CHANGED AS FOLLOWS:

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

DEPART DAMASCUS 0900
ARRIVE RIYADH 1230

DEPART RIYADH 1730
ARRIVE AMMAN 1850

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

DEPART AMMAN 1300 (EST)

REFUELING STOP (TO BE DETERMINED)

ARRIVE WASHINGTON (AAFB) MIDNIGHT (EST)

4. WHILE MUCH PREFERRING FOREGOING REVISED SCHEDULE,
IF IT IS NOT WORKABLE FOR SAUDIS, WE COULD PROCEED ON
FOLLOWING ALTERNATIVE:

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

DEPART CAIRO 0900
ARRIVE TEL AVIV 1040

DEPART TEL AVIV 1700
ARRIVE RIYADH 2030

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

DEPART RIYADH 0900
ARRIVE DAMASCUS 1030

DEPART DAMASCUS 1600
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ARRIVE AMMAN 1650

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

DEPART AMMAN 1300 (EST)

REFUELING STOP (TO BE DETERMINED)

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